

G.P. VANIER

MARCH NEWSLETTER



Important Dates

Mar 1 – 3	Online Student Course Selection
Mar 8	Flex Day
Mar 8	ERASE Student/Parent/Caregiver Sessions
Mar 10	Course Selection Deadline
Mar 15-18	Matilda the Musical at Vanier
Mar 21	PAC Meeting
Mar 22	Explore 2024 Application Deadline
Mar 27-April 10	Spring Break
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Mar 27 – April 10	Spring Break
April 11	First Day Back!
April 18	PAC Meeting
April 19	Grad Parent Meeting 6:30 (Multi-Purpose Room @ Vanier)
April 21	Quarter 3 Ends
April 24	Quarter 4 Begins
April 26	Valedictorian Nominations Due Noon
Week of May 1	Report Cards Posted to MYED

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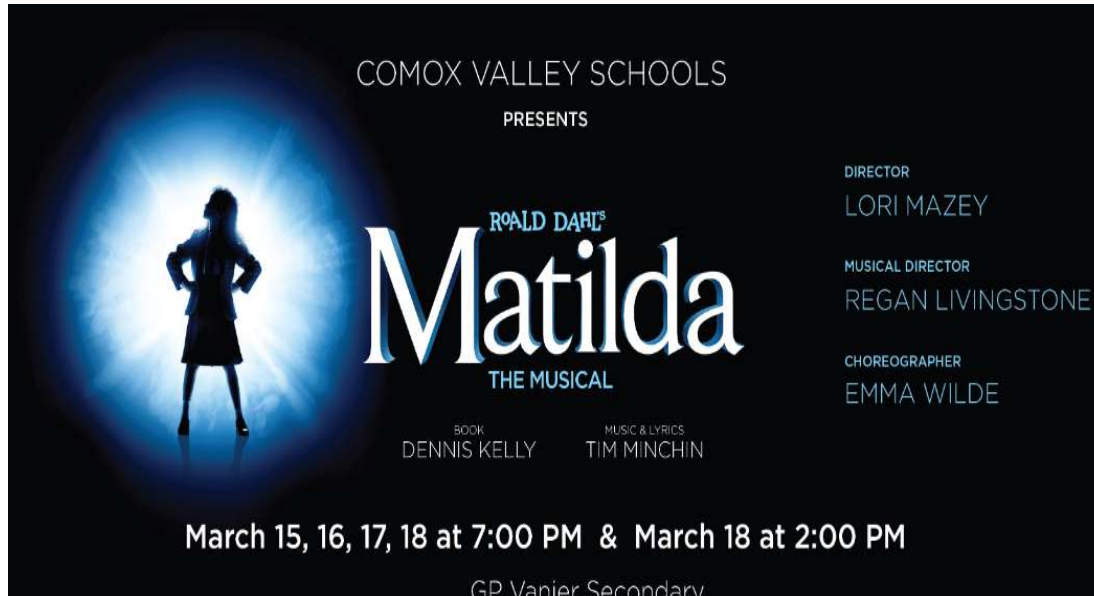
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MATILDA THE MUSICAL



G.P. Vanier is hosting this year's Comox Valley Schools District Musical – Roald Dahl's **Matilda!**

Tickets can be purchased [Here](#)

Dates: March 15-18 @ 7pm showings. **March 18 @ 2pm matinee showing.

Inspired by the twisted genius of Roald Dahl, the Tony Award-winning Roald Dahl's Matilda The Musical is the captivating masterpiece from the Royal Shakespeare Company that revels in the anarchy of childhood, the power of imagination and the inspiring story of a girl who dreams of a better life.

IMPORTANT GRAD DATES



April 19th

**Grad Parent Meeting 6:30pm
Multi-purpose Room**

April 26th

**Valedictorian Nominations Due
12:00pm**

May 3rd

Valedictorian Speech Proposal Due

May 10th

Grad BBQ 5:00 – 7:30pm

May 10th – 12th

**Valedictorian Speeches/Voting to
follow – (voting closes 12:00pm May 12th)**

**TBA mid March/
early April**

**Grad Basketball Game – Doors open
at 5:30pm**



June 13th

**Celebration of Excellence 2nd block/
Bursary Evening**

June 27th

**Grad Rehearsal 12:00pm
Multi-purpose Room**

June 28th

Grad Ceremony 4:00pm



Living Life to the Full



Join a Living Life to the Full course



WHERE: Online Via Zoom

WHEN: February 2nd to March 23rd - every Thursday from 5:00pm to 6:30pm

WHO is eligible: youth ages 13-18 living in BC

HOW do I sign up? Scan QR Code or visit our website



livinglifetothefull.ca



lltf.bc@cmha.bc.ca



[Link to Mental Health Workshop Here](#)

ERASE (Expect, Respect and a Safe Education)



[ERASE \(Expect, Respect and a Safe Education\)](#)
[click here](#)

ERASE is all about building safe and caring school communities. This includes empowering students, parents, educators, and the community partners who support them to get help with challenges, report concerns to schools, and learn about complex issues facing students. The ministry website has been updated to include information on [consent and the prevention of gender-based violence \(click here\)](#).

[Erase Report It \(click here\)](#) – an important tool for ensuring students or caring others can anonymously share something they’ve seen or heard that concerns them.



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ERASE STUDENT AND PARENT SESSIONS

NEW student and parent/caregiver sessions coming up in the next month! In these sessions, we will explore the topic of consent, and the dynamics of gender-based violence.

Establishing Respectful Relationships and Consent in Our Communities – Grade 8 – 12 Student Session – In this session, we will explore the topic of consent and the dynamics of gender-based violence. We will discuss the current state of gender relations in both the physical and digital landscape, as well as the potential for exploitation within these relationships. Throughout the session, our trainers will provide the tips and tools to help them navigate and grow in these environments.



Establishing Respectful Relationships and Consent In Our Communities – Student and Parent Session

(These sessions are best suited for students in Grade 8 and above, and their families) – In this session, we will explore the topic of consent, and the dynamics of gender-based violence. We will discuss the current state of gender relations faced by our children in both the physical and digital landscape, as well as the potential for exploitation within these relationships. Our trainers will provide parents/caregivers tips and tools on how to discuss these topics with their children to create positive family connections.

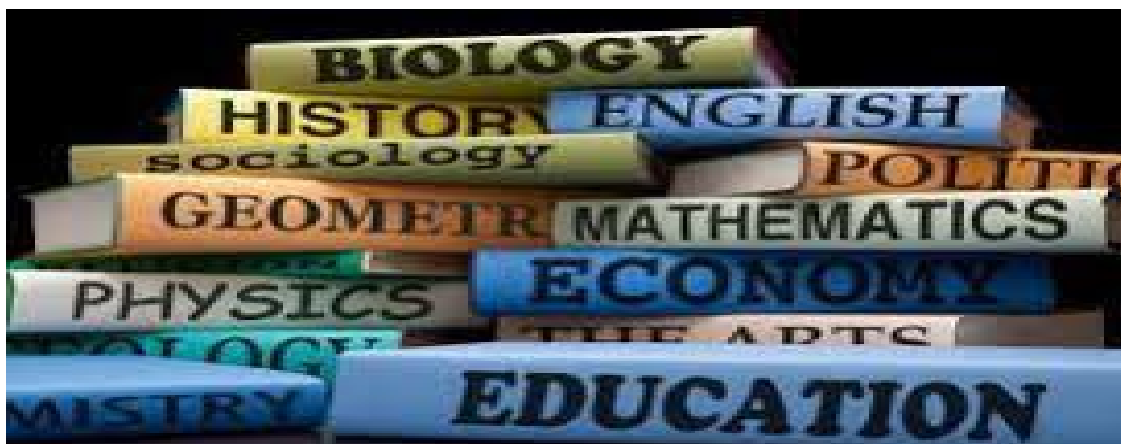
Training will be held on **March 8, with various times throughout the day to accommodate different bell schedules, as well as evening sessions for parents!**

Visit [erase-training-schedule.pdf \(gov.bc.ca\)](https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/learning-centres/erase/erase-training-schedule.pdf) to see options and sign up.

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Vanier Course Selection

Important Dates



The 2023/2024 Course Selection Guide, instructions for online course selection, grade specific program requirements, planning sheets and Course Selection Guidebook can be found on the [Vanier School Website](#) until Friday, March 10th.

If you have any questions, please contact your student's counsellor by email or phone:

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VANIER GRAD CLASS **ATTIRE PROJECT**



The Grad Class Attire Project welcomes all grade 12 students in Comox Valley schools to have the opportunity to wear a gown or suit on graduation day without the financial burden of purchasing a brand-new outfit for their milestone event.

The Grad Class Attire Project will operate out of Comox Valley Dodge at 278 North Island Highway (Old Canadian Tire building) on the following dates from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm:

Saturday, March 11th

You can book a fitting appointment using the following [link](#).

CLASS OF 2023

Donations can be dropped off at G.P. Vanier on school days between 8 am – 4 pm. Items can also be dropped off at Comox Valley Dodge during operating hours.

There is a huge demand for smaller sized suits, pants, shirts, and accessories. Financial donations are also accepted to help offset costs to repair, or purchase required items students may need.

**After a period of time, clothing that was generously donated but not selected, will be distributed to a local second-hand clothing store.*



ATHLETICS

Basketball Teams



Grade 8 Girls and Boys Basketball Zone Championships are this week! Grade 9 Boys, Jr. Boys and Jr. Girls all competed at the Island Championships. Sr. Boys will be competing this weekend.

Wrestling



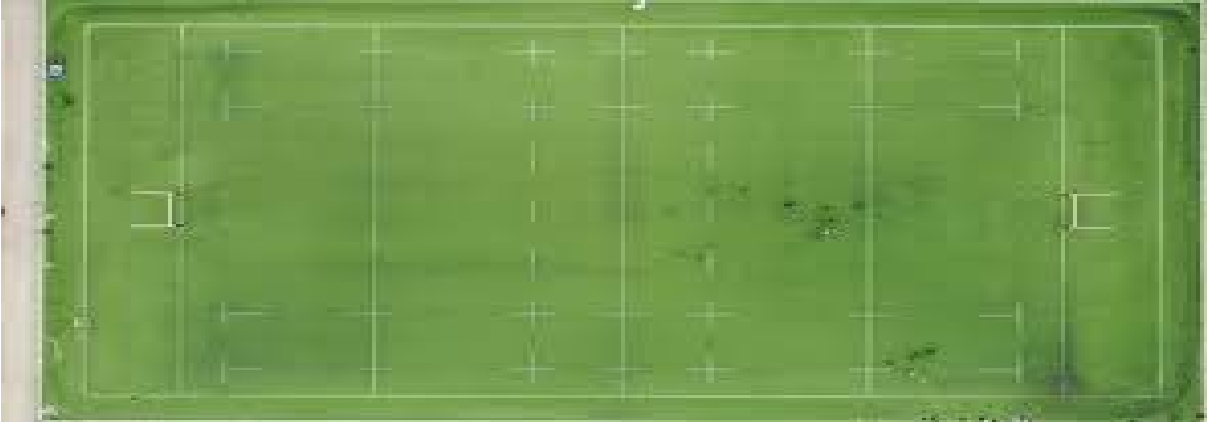
The Wrestling team had 5 athletes qualify for the Provincial Championships this weekend.

Ski and Snowboard Team



The Ski and Snowboard team had a couple of athletes qualify for the Provincial Championships next week.

Rugby Team



Boys and Girls Rugby (8-12) has started practicing with the regular season starting in March.

Disc Golf Team

Disc Golf and Ultimate are just getting organized (check announcements for meeting times).



Track and Field Team/Girls Soccer Team/Golf Team

Mountain Bike Team

Track and Field plus Girls Soccer will be starting up in early March, as well as the Golf Teams and Mountain Bike Teams.





VANIER'S PEER SUPPORT CLUB

Vanier's Peer Support Club will be offering drop-in on Thursdays at lunch in the counselling office. The peer supporters are Vanier students in grade 10-12 who have received training through the Vancouver Island Crisis Society. Peer supporters work closely with Vanier school counsellors. They are available Thursdays at lunch in the counselling office on a drop-in basis and are there to listen and support other students.



